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## "Y" CAMPAIGN IS PROVING SUCCESS

Gratiot County is Responding in Fine Shape to the Appeal for Money for "Y" War Work.

## ALMA COLLEGE DOING THINGS

Students at Alma College Have Raised Nearly Fifteen Hundred Dollars for This Purpose.

The Gratiot county campaign for funds for the Y. M. C. A. war work is on in full blast and is bringing some great results as near as can be ascertained at this time and there is a strong belief that the end of the week will see Gratiot county at the top of its quota of \$4,000.00 for the "Y" war fund.

One of the finest pieces of work which has been done so far is being reported from Alma college, from which a number of men have left to join the army and to take up the war work with the Y. M. C. A.

Following a lecture in behalf of the fund the first part of the week, the students decided to throw up their proposed special car to the Olivet football game at Olivet, Saturday, and to go in for the Y. M. C. A. fund clear to the limit.

This has resulted in some contributions from Alma college, which speak highly of the patriotism of the student body of the Presbyterian institution, which is putting any similar number of people in the county in the background in supporting the great war work of the Y. M. C. A. As near as could be learned at a late hour before going to press the students of Alma college had contributed \$1,500.00 to the "Y" war work fund, this being about \$500.00 over the quota which had been given to Alma college by those in charge of the campaign.

Alma is contributing generously as are other parts of the county, and it will only need a continuation of the present work to fully make up the quota of the county before Saturday night.

A meeting was held in the school house at Riverdale, Tuesday evening, at which representatives of Seville and Summer townships were present and it was decided to go in heavily for the war work fund of the Y. M. C. A. Charles Mann was selected to head the work in the west half of Seville township and Mr. Slingluff and P. C. Collier of Elwell were selected to lead the drive in the eastern part. Professor Wood of Summer is the chosen director of Summer township campaign.

Mr. McFadden and B. Curtis were in Middleton Monday evening, where they met men from three southwest townships of the county, where a big drive is being made. Rev. A. W. Munford is directing the work in Fulton, M. C. Morse in New Haven and Preston Bogleigh in North Shade.

Just what the Y. M. C. A. war work is, can be best gained by the words of General Pershing, commanding the American Expeditionary Forces in France. He says: "The work now being done by the Y. M. C. A. for the benefit and entertainment of our soldiers is very important. As an organization its moral influence is highly beneficial. It performs a real service that makes for contentment. The Y. M. C. A. has won its place by its selfless personal devotion to the soldiers' welfare and deserves staunch support by our people at home."

Major-General Scott after his tour through Russia and the Balkans, said: "Every idea that reaches the Russian people now will bear fruit—good or evil according to what is sown—for many years to come. It is for this reason that I am deeply interested in the great effort which is being made to raise a large sum for the prosecution of the work of the Young Men's Christian Association in Russia. It appeals to me as an American, as a soldier and as a Christian; it will help the Russians and it will help us."

Why not aid the cause? Remember the campaign ends this week. Do it now!

## NEXT CENSUS WILL COUNT 'EM.

Not only is Alma growing rapidly because many new people are moving in from other places, but because nearly every other day this year on an average there has been a new arrival in some home in this city, the books at the city clerk's office showing 142 births for the year up to Tuesday.

The month of October was one of the banner months of the entire year, 22 babies having been born in Alma during this month.

The records at the clerk's office show 13 deaths during the month of October.

## NURSERY STOCK AND FRUIT TREES.

You are now able to order your nursery stock, fruit trees, ornamental trees and shrubs, roses, grapevines, etc., from the Brown Brothers company of Rochester, from the local agent, John Aldrich. He is at your service. Call Bell phone 103-2R.

The W. R. C. requests all members to be at the hall at 12:30 noon Wednesday, November 14th.

## ALMA-OLIVET SCORES.

Since 1900 Olivet has won ten victories over Alma to Alma's five over Olivet. Alma hopes to add another game this week.

Year	Olivet	Alma
1900	11	6
1901	9	6
1902	0	10
1903	11	0
1904	5	0
1905	10	0
1906	4	0
1907	14	0
1908	No game	
1909	30	0
1910	3	14
1911	9	6
1912	0	58
1913	12	0
1914	7	3
1915	7	7
1916	0	27
Total points	124	107

## VEATCH GOES INTO THE U. S. ARMY "Y" SERVICE

Head of Department of Music Will Do Army Y. M. C. A. Work at Camp Custer.

Alma college will lose one of her most popular faculty members next Monday, when Professor Reese F. Veatch, head of the Music Department, will leave for Camp Custer to become an educational secretary in the Y. M. C. A. work at that place. Professor Veatch will have particular charge of musical recreations in the "Y" buildings. It is a splendid opportunity to do a great service and the sincere best wishes of the whole college go with him in his new work.



PROF. VEATCH.

Nevertheless, Professor Veatch will be greatly missed here at Alma, for in the slightly over five years that he has been here his constructive work in creating musical interest has been invaluable to the college and community. He has been a tireless promoter of things musical and an incessant worker to put Alma on the musical map. During his activity here, both the Choral Club and the two Glee Clubs have become permanent factors in the college life. The rendition of "The Messiah," of Handel, by the Choral club has become an annual event, and other works presented by that organization, under his direction, include Mendelssohn's "Elijah," Dvorak's "Seven Last Words," Coleridge-Taylor's "Hinwatha's Wedding Feast," Gounod's "Gallia," Sullivan's "Pinafore" and "Pirates of Penzance," Balfe's "Bohemian Girl" and Flotow's "Martha." He has directed five glee clubs that have made successful state tours and is leaving exceptionally bright prospects for the sixth.

Last year he made an innovation in the college musical activities with a women's glee club, which now bids fair to be a permanent organization. Through his influence such noted artists as Marcus Kellerman, baritone, Esther May Plum, contralto, Marion Greene, baritone, Albert Linquist, tenor, Roderick White, violinist, and others have been brought to Alma audiences.

During his years at Alma, Prof. Veatch has constantly striven to keep in touch with everything up-to-date in his profession and to that end has studied in Chicago, Ann Arbor and New York. As a result, his department has steadily increased in size until last year it had the largest number of professional students in its history. Yet in spite of these numerous activities, he has found time to give concerts in nearly one hundred Michigan towns.

He has done a remarkable work in Alma. Is it a wonder he will be missed?

President H. M. Crooks has secured the services of Wilfred C. Foote as head of the department of music to succeed Prof. Veatch. He is a Princeton man and has had several years of teaching and concert work in Chicago, New York, Indianapolis and Youngstown, O. He comes to Alma with flattering recommendations. He will take up his work at Alma college Monday.

## CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN ON

Ladies of Alma Are Making House-to-House Canvas in Behalf of Food Movement.

## MANY SIGN HOOVER PLEDGE

Mrs. Hannah, Local Chairman, Believes Every Home in Alma Will Join in Saving.

Mrs. E. Hannah, chairman of the food conservation movement in Alma, who is directing the campaign here at the present time, reported to The Alma Record this morning that as a whole the movement was meeting with an enthusiastic reception among the people of the city.

Mrs. Hannah has six captains under her direction and each of these has a number of workers aiding them in the house-to-house canvass which the ladies are making this week. The ladies expect to finish the work before the week is over.

When the house-to-house campaign for signers of the Hoover pledge cards started, the chairman had 800 of the window cards, which go to those who sign the pledge cards, but those were quickly taken up and a further supply was needed for Alma, showing that Alma is meeting with the request of the government in first-class style.

It is now expected that most of the homes in Alma will sign the pledge card and aid in the great movement of conserving the food supply, which will go a long way towards winning the war for the United States and her allies.

The ladies who are acting as captains under Mrs. Hannah in the Alma food drive follow: Ward 1, Mrs. John Kretzger and Mrs. Parker; Ward 2, Mrs. James Gargrett and Mrs. Floyd Glass; Ward 3, Mrs. J. A. Baker; Ward 4, Mrs. B. L. Walker.

The churches in Alma are also aiding in the work and are co-operating with Mrs. Hannah in the Alma food drive. Every possible means is being taken to make the work a big success and show that Alma is standing for those things which will aid in making the winning of the war for this country.

To those who sign the Hoover pledge cards are given a window card, which shows that the home has signed this great pledge, and another card, to be used as a kitchen reminder, is also given.

Word from County Chairman John T. Mathews is to the effect that some of the workers in the food conservation movement in the county have sent their Hoover cards to Lansing direct instead of sending them to the county chairman. In order that Gratiot county shall have the credit for all of her signers, it is necessary that these pledge cards go through the proper channel, and he asks that they all be turned in to him as county chairman.

## HOSPITAL HOME.

A Hospital Home Has been Started Here by Dr. Carney.

There's something in a name. Many people dislike the very name "hospital," yet they are ready to acknowledge that in the event of sickness they have no adequate means of care in their own home.

At 528 College street, in this city, a hospital home has been established. There are all the requirements of an up-to-date hospital with the atmosphere of home life. Since the opening of Saturday, September 1st, there have been nine patients, eight of which have been surgical cases. So far every patient has gone away permanently bettered. The hospital is conducted by Dr. Carney with the assistance of one of the most skillful nurses to be found in the state. This place is the beginning of something larger along the same lines. The reputation of Dr. Carney, as a surgeon, is daily becoming more widely known. With ample training and considerable hospital experience in large cities, he is well prepared to deal with cases that baffle the ordinary practitioner.

The cases already treated appear to have covered a wider range than the number would indicate, some of them being seriously complicated.

Alma is fortunate in having such a place and such skill at the disposal of its citizens. This community is no longer the same that it was a year or two ago. There is need arising every day for prompt and thorough handling of trouble that are a matter of life and death, and here in this hospital home we find just what so many people crave.

This article is written entirely unknown to, and without any talk on the subject with, Dr. Carney. The desire of the writer is simply to make known to outsiders what may at some time be a great benefit to them.

Another smashing feature serial, "The Seven Pearls"—Idlehour soon.

## GAS MEN MEET.

Central Michigan Gas Men to Meet Here to Organize Association.

The gas men of central Michigan will meet at the Wright house Wednesday, November 21, for a morning and afternoon session, at which time a Central Michigan Gas association will be formed.

It is thought that many mutual advantages to the gas men will come out of such an organization as the one which is being talked, and which without question will be formed at the meeting here. The morning session November 21 will be called to order at 10:30.

## GRATIOT DESERTER GETS TEN YEARS

Drafted From This County, Man Leaves Camp Custer—Sent to Leavenworth Prison.

Frederick J. Hagen, of Breckenridge, Gratiot county, Mich., is the first deserter of his division to be convicted for this crime and is sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

Hagen was a member of Company C, Third Hundred and Tenth Engineers, at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, having been sent to Battle Creek September 20, along with other drafted men of Gratiot county. He deserted October 15, and soon after was located and taken back to free trial. When convicted of desertion last week the Breckenridge man was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, dishonorable discharge from the United States army and to forfeiture of all pay.

Hagen's wife and parents are living in Breckenridge at the present time. When drafted he is said to have been working in St. Louis. He is said to be a farmer by occupation.

## SCARLET FEVER.

The third grade of the Alma public schools was closed Tuesday, and will remain closed for another week, because of the discovery of a case of scarlet fever in that grade the first of the week.

The discovery of this case of scarlet fever should not alarm anyone, as it is said that there are only a half dozen cases of this fever in the entire city. The room was simply closed as a precautionary measure by the health department and the school board, and it is not believed that it will spread any further.

One other room was closed a couple of weeks ago for the same reason, but is now open again, and all danger of the fever spreading has gone.

## HOW THEY STAND

	Won.	Lost.	Percentage
Alma	2	0	1,000
Olivet	2	0	1,000
Kaxoo	2	0	1,000
Alpion	1	1	500
Hillsdale	0	3	000
Adrian	0	3	000

## The Alma Record Tobacco Fund Continues Its Growth

Alma Record Publishing Company  
Printers and Publishers

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Pay to the order of Alma Tobacco Co. \$150.50

One Hundred fifty dollars

To FIRST STATE BANK.

74-321 ALMA, MICH.

Alma Record Publishing Company  
President

That the Alma Record tobacco fund for the American soldiers in France is all that we claim it to be, can be told from the reproduction of the last check, one for \$150.50, which the Alma Record Publishing company sent to the American Tobacco company of New York in payment for 802 tobacco kits for the Sammies in France.

It is an honest to goodness tobacco fund, a patriotic fund if you will, to aid in making the American soldiers contented in the trenches, and being contented, to aid in making them better fighters.

Each twenty-five cents in this check represents a tobacco kit, which contains two large packages of cigarettes, three packages of Bull Durham smoking tobacco and one large package of Tuxedo. If you know how a smoker likes his smokes, you will realize how some of the Sammies will appreciate these gifts.

The Alma Record will send another check in a few days, giving just time enough to get the kits over in the trenches to the Sammies for Christmas. Get your money in at once, and

## NEW SCHOOL WITHIN YEAR

Temporary School Houses Are Not Proving Adequate for Needs of the City.

## GROWTH PERCENTAGE IS HIGH

City Has 214 Pupils of Sixth Grade and Under Living East of Grover Avenue.

Alma must have a new eight room school house when the Alma public schools open in 1918, owing to the rapidity with which the attendance is keeping upwards. An increase of forty per cent is recorded over a year ago, and there is every indication that this percentage will greatly increase before the close of the school this year.

At the present time the three permanent school buildings are well filled and all three of the temporary schools are in use and filled to capacity, but still there is a grave need for more rooms for pupils which is sure to increase as the school year goes on towards its close in June.

In the temporary buildings which are now in use there are all the students which can be comfortably cared for. Seventy-six are being taken care of in the Hillcrest sub-division school, in the Elmwood school house there are eighty-one pupils and in the Republic school there are thirty-six pupils. Each of these temporary schools is taking care of all the students that can be comfortably handled, yet the two schools, under the high school are still over-crowded and without a question will remain so, and continue to become more crowded during the course of the school year.

There is now an average of 46 pupils to the teacher in the primary building and in the Union building there is an average of 54 pupils to each instructor.

Not only has there been an increase in students, but in the past year six new instructors have been added to the teaching force of the public schools but still more should be added. With the six new teachers over last year, twelve new ones have been added to the teaching force since Sept. A. F. Schultz came here a few years ago.

In a talk with the Record reporter the first part of the week, Supt. Schultz said that there were 214 pupils from the lowest grade up to the sixth grade, who lived east of Bridge and Grover avenues, or almost enough to comfortably fill six rooms of an eight room school building. Supt. Schultz also called attention to the fact that the temporary schools could not take care of students higher than the third grade B.

The growth of the public schools (Continued on page four)

## OPEN VERY SOON.

Lindquist Clothing Store Will Open a Week From Monday.

Word received from Grand Rapids is to the effect that the Francis O. Lindquist company's Alma clothing store will open on or about Monday, November 19th.

This company recently secured the south store in the Merchants Building company on South State street, and during the past few weeks workmen have been busy installing fixtures in the new store and getting ready for the opening, which will come in time to allow this store to get a share of the annual Christmas business of the city.

It is the intention of the company to carry a full and complete line of goods in the Alma store at all times, which will be in keeping with the goods which have been sold by other Lindquist company stores, and have given this company the name that it enjoys throughout the state.

## YPSI EASY FOR HELMER ELEVEN

Big Red Team Walks Over the Teachers About as It Pleased in Saturday Game.

Coach Harry Helmer's college football team continued its great winning streak Saturday at the expense of the Michigan State Normal college of Ypsilanti, the locals taking things easy and then beating the Teachers by a score of 25 to 0.

Not once during the entire game did the Pedagogues look at all dangerous, Helmer's Pets having them tamed completely, so that they were coming out of the hands of the locals at all phases of the contest. Not once did Ypsi get near to the goal that the Alma 35-yard line and only a couple of times during the entire game were the visitors able to make their first downs against the Presby. Terminus, even though Helmer had a flock of subs in the game at various times.

To start the game, Ypsi kicked to Helmer on the 25-yard line. The locals snatched their way down the field to the Ypsi 50-yard line, where the visitors intercepted a forward pass. Ypsi punted outside on the Ypsi 41-yard stripe and Alma, using line smokes, carried the ball down the field and over the Ypsi goal, Captain Foote scoring the touchdown.

In the second quarter play was started with the ball on Ypsi's eight yard line. Foote made 7-1-2 yards, and then Alma was penalized for off-side and lost five yards. Smith made 2 and Foote 1. Spooner smashed the line and put the ball behind the Ypsi goal, making the score 13 to 0, after Narraace kicked the goal.

Ypsi kicked to Helbert, who made a 25-yard return to the 45-yard line. Alma carried the ball to the Ypsi 12-yard line, where Ypsi held Alma for downs, when passes failed. Ypsi was offside. Alma blocked a Ypsi punt.

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## FACE ARREST FOR LARCENY

Young Almates Who Robbed Man Will Be Arrested by Officers Today, Is Belief.

## AGAIN BOOZE PLAYED A PART

Said That Entire Company Had Been Drinking in Merrill Before the Affair Took Place.

Once again has booze been the cause of a crime, this time at least four men having come to trouble through its alleged use, one of whom is spending ten days in the county jail, one who is a fugitive from justice and two others, who the officers expected to arrest today, who are charged with larceny from the body.

Fred Lampkin is the man who is spending ten days in the county jail, this coming from drunkenness, while Walter Herman, late of Reed City, is a fugitive from justice, charged with larceny from the body, and Milton Washburn and Earl Martin, late convicts to Alma, will probably be arrested by the chief of police, Oscar Vibber, charged with larceny from the body.

It seems that on the night of October 29, Fred Lampkin drove to Merrill with four young men, Dorman, Washburn, Martin and Harry Miller, where it is said that the five indulged in considerable drinking. Lampkin probably being the drunkest of the five when return trip to Alma was started.

It is claimed that when the automobile reached a point near plant three of the Republic Motor Truck Co., Inc., on the return journey to Alma, that Lampkin was taken from his automobile in a drunken condition, by Dorman, Washburn, Martin, with possibly the aid of Miller, and that he was put in a box car on the P. M. siding, relieved of his money, amounting to about forty dollars, and then locked him in the car. The men continued their trip into the city and went to their homes and rooming places, it is said.

Later at night the officers were called by people who had found Lampkin in the box car, and he was arrested charged with being drunk. He made a plea of guilty in court and was given the option of a fine or ten days in the county jail. His money gone, Lampkin was forced to take the jail sentence.

He claimed at the time to have been robbed and a careful inquiry into the matter by chief of police Oscar Vibber evidently brought to light facts enough to warrant the arrest of Dorman, Washburn and Martin.

Dorman, who was arrested a couple of months ago charged with being a slacker, and later being released having been registered, was picked up the later part of last week and sent (Continued on Page Four.)

Previously acknowledged.....\$180.25

Henry Brewster, Alma.....	25
Mrs. Ada White, Alma.....	1.00
Lowell J. Green, Alma.....	.50
H. J. Burchfield, Alma.....	.50
Hugh H. Lee, Alma.....	.25
L. C. Van DeMark, Alma.....	1.00
E. B. Berman, Alma.....	.25
Armond Adams, Alma.....	.25
F. H. Tappenbeck, Chicago.....	.25
A. R. Ottid, Alma.....	.25
A friend, Alma.....	.25
H. M. Blackburn, Gd. Rapids.....	.50
Jessie Phillips, Alma.....	1.00
Total.....	\$186.50

Mrs. W. T. Webb of Elm Hall spent Saturday with Mrs. W. H. Snell.